GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Infrastructure & Investment Department - APACL - Approval of the proposal of MD, APACL, to procure two Twin-Engine Helicopters on rental basis to meet the flying commitments of Hon'ble Chief Minister of AP and other VVIPs and to allow MD, APACL to issue LOI to M/s. Global Vectra Helicopters, the LI bidder, duly incorporating certain terms and conditions to be complied with the guidelines / instructions of DGCA / Instructions of MHA, GoI, New Delhi - Orders - Issued.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND INVESTMENNT (AIRPORTS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.7 Dated 22.02.2024

Read the following: -

1. From the DGP, Intelligence, AP, Vizianagaram I.D.No.392/SSG1/AP/2022, Dated.15.09.2022.
2. From the GA (PROTOCOL) dept., e-file No.GAD01-PROT0MISC/212/2022-PROT-A (Comp.No.1865935), dt 13.10.2022.
3. G.O.Rt.No.84, I &I (Airports) Dept., dated 15-11-2023.
4. From the MD APACL, Lr.No.27/APACL/2023, dated: 10. 01.2024.

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ORDER:

In the letter 1st read above, the DGP, Intelligence has stated that the Hon'ble Chief Minister of AP is in 'Z+' Category and is facing specific threat from Left Wing Extremist, Terrorist, Fundamentalist elements and general threat from organized Criminal Gangs and Anti-social Elements and felt that the security arrangements of HCM of AP; needs to be handled sensitively. The Civil Aviation Corporation of AP is utilizing the services of an aircraft BELL 412 VT-MRV, dating back to 2010 during the tour programs of the HCM of AP. Considering the increased usage of aircraft in various tour programmes of the VIP, long distance covered and safety requirements of Hon'ble CM of AP, the current aircraft may be replaced with a new/alternative aircraft of better airworthiness. The Director General of Police (Intelligence), AP., Vijayawada has thus requested that a team may be constituted to study the safety aspects of aircraft to decide upon its replacement. In the e-file 2nd read above, the GA (PROTOCOL) Department has forwarded the file to Infrastructure & Investment Department for taking further necessary action on the proposal of the Intelligence Department.

2. In the letter 4th read above, the MD, APACL has stated that the Government based on the recommendation in the letter 1st read above of the DGP (Int), proposed to procure two Brand New Twin Engine Helicopters with less than two years age to meet the flying commitments of Hon'ble Chief Minister of AP and other VVIPs. Accordingly, an e-Tender Notification has been published in the reputed News Papers of All India basis, through APTS duly incorporating certain terms and conditions to be complied with along with the guidelines / instructions of Director General of Civil Aviation/ Instructions of Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.

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3. In compliance with the instructions of the Government, Technical and Financial Bids were invited from various aviation organizations through APPS and on 11th August, 2023, the Technical Tender Bids were opened in the presence of the Managing Director, APACL., Aviation Advisor to Govt. of Andhra Pradesh and the Manager, APPS and found that three Organizations, viz. (1) M/s. Global Vectra Helicopters (2) M/s. Thumby Aviation Pvt Ltd and (3) M/s. Rajas Aerosports and Adventures Pvt. Ltd. have placed their Bids.

4. On evaluation of the Technical Bids of the above three organizations vis-à-vis the Terms and Conditions imposed by APACL., all the three organizations have not readily offered the Helicopters for which this Corporation really intended to have and put as Condition No. 1 viz. ***"Helicopter shall be twin engine, brand new / less 2 years old. Should be under NSOP Category"***.

5. The Government in G.O.3rdread above, have constituted a Committee to evaluate the above Bids receives and thus, the Committee, constituted by the Government, have examined the Technical Bids of three Organizations and observed that M/S.Raja Aero Sports are readily not in a position to place the Helicopters immediately and have not met the technical conditions and also not having the NSOP and its Technical Bid has been disqualified.

6. Subsequent to the above, the Committee met again on 10-01-2024 and opened the Financial Bids of M/S. Global Vectra Helicopters and M/S. Thumby Aviation Pvt. Ltd for hiring of Helicopters for the use of Government of Andhra Pradesh, who have offered their bids against Schedule - I of the Notification (At Gannavaram Airport, Vijayawada) and against Schedule -II (At Visakhapatnam Airport). The Committee is of the view that the two bids presented by M/s. Global Vectra Helicopters against Schedule - I i.e at Vijayawada and M/s. Thumby Aviation Pvt. Ltd against Schedule - II i.e at Visakhapatnam can be considered for arriving to a final decision and hence opened the Financial Bids offered by these two organizations. On perusal of the Financial Bids offered by both the organizations, the Committee have noted that M/S. Global Vectra Helicopters, who quoted Rs.1,91,75,000/- (Rupees one crore ninty one lakh seventy five thousand only) (inclusive of all taxes per month) is found as L-1 and also that the Helicopter will be positioned at Vijayawada which suits to the present requirement of the Government. The Committee have decided to place the matter before the Government to get approval to issue LOI to M/s. Global Vectra Helicopters, subject to fulfillment of terms and conditions as laid down in the Tender Notification and to enter into an Agreement for placing the Helicopter immediately at Vijayawada base.

7. Apropos to the above, the Committee had also considered the Total expenditure to be incurred by the Government of A.P. (through APACL Budget Allocations) towards hiring a Twin Engine Helicopter, over and above the rate quoted by M/S. Global Vectra Helicopters as follows:

Sl.No.	ITEM OF EXPENDITURE	EXPENDITURE PER MONTH PER HELICOPTER
A	B	C
1.	L-1 FINANCIAL BID AMOUNT	Rs. 1,91,75,000/-
2.	GROUND HANDLING CHARGES	ON ACTUALS
3.	ACCOMMODATION CHARGES TO PILOTS IN STAR HOTELS	ON ACTUALS
4.	LOGISTIC CHARGES TO PILOTS & TECHNICAL STAFF	ON ACTUALS
5.	FUEL TRANSPORTATION CHARGES.	ON ACTUALS
6.	CREW MEDICLAS	ON ACTUALS
7.	ATC CHARGES (WATCH HOUR EXTENSIONS).	ON ACTUALS

8. The MD, APACL has submitted that initial proposal of this corporation and also as per G.O.Ms No. 84, dt:05.11.2023 the requisition is for leasing for two helicopters i.e., one at Vijayawada and another at Visakhapatnam for use of Hon'ble CM at both places. The MD, APACL further submitted that on evaluation of bids received, only two companies offered valid bids. One bidder is readily accepted for immediate placement of their helicopter for leasing. Another bidder has assured for placement of their helicopter in the month of May 2024.

9. The MD, APACL has further submitted that through the technical and financial committee had resolved to offer "Letter of intent" to M/s Global Vectra Helicopter, the present requirement is warranting for possession of 2 (two) helicopters i.e., one at Vijayawada and another at Visakhapatnam for use of Hon'ble CM. The MD, APACL has clarified and requested to provide two helicopters for use of Hon'ble CM.

10. Government after careful examination hereby approve the proposal of the MD, APACL to procure Two twin Engine Helicopters on rental basis to meet the flying commitments of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh and other VVIPs (one at Vijayawada and another at Visakhapatnam) as explained at para 1 and para 9 and to allow MD, APACL to issue LOI to M/s. Global Vectra Helicopters, the LI bidder who quoted Rs.1,91,75,000/- (Rupees one crore ninty one lakh seventy five thousand only) (inclusive of all taxes per month) + other charges as quoted in the financial bids as per the practice being followed by APACL, as explained in para -7 above, duly incorporating certain terms and conditions to be compiled with the guidelines/instructions of Director General of Civil Aviation/instructions of Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.

11. The Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh Aviation Corporation Limited shall take necessary action accordingly.

12. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U.O.No.FIN01-FMU)ASD(IIE)/17/2023-FMU-IIEIC, computer No.2096139, dated 14-02-2024.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

N.YUVARAJ
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
The Managing Director, AP Aviation Corporation.
The Special CS to Govt., I&I Dept.
The Special CS to Govt., Finance Department.
The Director General of Police, Government of AP.
The Principal Secretary to Govt. (Poll.), G.A.D.
The P.S. to Spl. CS to Hon'ble CM.
The P.S. to Chief Secretary.
The P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for I&I.
(C.No.INI01-APAC/2/2022-Airports, Comp.No.1877356)

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